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ONE ATTORNEY DRIVES TAXICAB

By Emory O. Jackson

BIRMINGHAM — (ANP) — Two highest barriers facing degree lawyers and students lawyers among the Negro raining in northern law schools group in Alabama are color bars and bar tests. Color bars with the help of state aid are drive them out of the state to get legal training and the bar lenied reciprocity. Students fin- tests drive them out of the south or out of their profession.

ents finishing the state law school ship manages a finance company. don't have to bother with a bar There is a total of seven Nethe bar association.

ted to take the bar test but it least three of them face the odds seems they aren't permitted to of skin bias.

third is in meditation.

are in Washington, one practicing break to study law and to pass the other driving a taxicab, both he bar test. at one time hopeful of coming back home. They have met heart-breaking rebuffs, unconquerable racial prejudice, and have lost faith in Alabama to dispense justice to its Negro law graduates.

An estimated 15 are studying law in northern law schools. A majority of them desire to return to Alabama where there is a great need for their services. The future looks dark for them, at this time. Arthur D. Shores. of Birming-

have to bother with a bar test, by Negro citizens within the state, lawyer in Alabama. Charles V. although it provides it within the Hendley, grand master of the state for white citizens. Negro 40,000-string Alabama Masons, is law students are denied a chance a member of the Alabama bar but to study law at the state univer-devotes most of his time to the it so that they may pras- sity and those who have finished order. One former practicing attheir legal training in northern torney now heads an insurance law schools with the help of state company here. Another trained aid are denied reciprocity. Stud-lawyer without any bar member-

test, they slide automatically into groes in Birmingham with law degrees from accredited law schools. Negro law students are permit- Even with their law degrees, at

pass it so that they may practice To bear the bar test, it seems, law on their own 4-8-9-47 Negro degree lawyers, will have to break into the state law school. Three young law graduates, all With a state law degree one gets Birmingham products, are in the his praciticing licenses, provided city growing bitter, feeling the he pays his fees. State aid for pinch of racial discrimination. One out-of-state law study is hollow is working in a law office, an-because it doesn't give one an even other is managing a market, the break with those from the state law school. Alabama seems to be Two Birmingham-raised lawyers denying its Negro citizens a fair



JEROME POSTER (right), 24-year-old prisoner who is reported to have blinded himself to prevent committing forgery again, is led from Federal Court in Philadelphia by U. S. Deputy Marshal Edward Conway after his release under \$500 bond to obtain medical aid. Poster's attorney, R. Pace Alexander, said the youth put out his sight by drawing fluid from his eyes with a hypodermic syringe. The prisoner has completed a prison term for forgery and is under federal indictment under other forgery charges. (AP Wirephoto)

Anderson Named Delegate To

LOUISVILLE (A N P) Charles W. Anderson, Jr., prominent Louisville lawyer, was selected by the Louisville-Courier Journal last Sunday as one of 100 men from over the state who are outstanding, able and well-qualified to be members of the proposed Kentucky constitutional convention to write a new constitution for the State of Kentucky. The well known daily selected 11 delegates from Louisville on the basis of their liberality and distinguished

Anderson a member of the Kentucky legislature for 12 years. now assistant commonwealth's attorney for the 30th judicial district of Kentucky. His wealth of experience as a seasoned legislator and lawyer, and his long interests in civic affairs, are believed by many to be responsible for this latest recognition. Anderson was Kentucky first Negro legislator and first commonwealth attorney. He will be another "first" if he is selected as a constitutional delegate to the expected 1948 convention.

Kentucky's constitution was written 56 years ago and has long since become outdated. It embraces many sections adverse to the progress of Negro citizens of Kentucky, partiularly the provisions relating to se gragation.

During his legislative career, An-

derson has made a brilliant record as an aggressive and progressive legislator in championing the rights of Negroes and minority groups. His possible election as a delegate to the constitutional convention is being hailed as a sure sign that the rights of Negroes in Kentucky will be well protected.

Denied Cincinnati Membership

weeks of discussion, a proposal to elect William McClain, Cincinnati attorney, an honorary member of the Lucas County Bar Association, was rejected last week at a meeting of the local lawyers' group in

the Willard Hotel. 7 Recommending that the proposal be rejected, a sub-committee on admissions declared such action would be a "futile gesture, more harmful than helpful," and added:

harmful than helpful," and added:

It would place the local association in a position of "assuming a presumptuous prerogative without being advised of all the facts which may have influenced the Cincinnati Bar Association."

The subcommittee's report further stated that such action "tends to intensify, rather than abate attitudes and feelings which are better ameliorated by the curative processes of education and understanding."

The resolution sponsoring McClain for honorary membership was introduced two weeks ago by Harry Kirtland, who claimed no member of the bar in good standing or otherwise eligible should be refused membership in any bar association in the country solely because of race or color.

It was noted that the local group had three Negro members, all with membership privileges, includ-

had three Negro members, all with full membership privileges, includ-ing Benjamin Fisher, assistant county prosecutor, and Clarence G. Smith, who remarked after the meeting the case may be reopened later.



SUPREME COURT. ney A. Jones Jr., Chicago attorney who recently was admitted to practice before the U. S. Supreme Court. The motion to admit Jones was made by Belford V. Lawson
Jr., Washington attorney,
who is associated with Jones in the prosecution of the case of James E. Stamps and Ennis L. Powell against the Louisville and Nashville Railroad company, growing out of the refusal of the said company to serve Stamps and Powell in the dining car on March 17, 1946. Jones is atback wages for dining car employes of Fred Harvey company and the Santa Fe rail-road Mansas Crty, Mo.



Wayne univer of Carter-Johnson Associates t

sity's law school this week. Roberta is the wife of Wilbur Hughes, and mother of a sevenmonth-old daughter. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority and the National Lawvers Guild.



PUBLIC RELATIONS EXECUTIVE

Eunice H. Carter, nationally Johnson Associates, New York City torney for the Dining Car Em-known woman leader and lawyer, to provide "know-how" to bushing ployes union, and recently and Ernest E. Johnson, former news ness and social groups interested recovered over \$400,000 in paperman, have established the in Negro media. public relations firm of Carter provide 'know-how' to those var

> "serious effort" to establish in the ing agencies. manufacturers. an been said about the Negro lawyer. East a distinctive business in the interpretation counsels, to advertise Notice is hereby given that the field of public relations, Eunice to idea groups. The firm will rev Negro lawyer has arrived.
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> dea groups are becoming aware hat 141/2 million Names have noney to spend for their products offices soon in Washington, Chi-ty that this country has ever seen. and are ready to about many of cago and Los Angeles. their ideas", spokesman for the new firm stated in makin the announcement. "It is the intention

Carter-Johnson ous groups for channeling informed Negro Lawyer Formed Patient Processing Negroups for channeling informed Formed Played up our Negro played up our Negro

Firm Formed roes."

Carter-Johnson Associates concluded up our Negro physicians, clergymen, athletes and scholars; but precious little or nothing has NEW YORK - Marking a majortemplates a service to other pub but precious little or nothing has

Smith College, Northampton, Mass gro lawyers stood off nine top-and a former assistant district at-flight white lawyers of South torney in New York City. She is Carolina. chairman of the board of trustees It must not be assumed that

of the National Council of Negro shyster lawyers were in charge to Women: Treasurer of the National oppose Marshall, Carter and Boul-Peace Conference; Chairman of the ware and this makes all the more Citizens Committee for the Associ- noteworthy the performance of ation of Colored Graduate Nurses, these remarkable young Negro and a member of the Executive lawyers acting for the NAACP. Committee of the Sara Delano Whatever Judge Waring's decision, Roosevelt House League, the Uni- the masterful work of these young ted States Employment Nursing Negroes will stand out in bold Service Advisory Committee, and relief. If they win, as we hope

his position with the United Negro Carolina bar. If they lose they College Fund where he was publi- will have lost to the best that the city director through two nation- Palmetto state had to offer. wide, fund-raising campaigns. It is never a disgrace to lose to Prior to that he headed the Wash- a top-notcher and that is just inton bureau of the Associated what South Carolina hurled into Negro Press, and filled a specia this legal battle in her studied atoverseas wartime assignment for tempt to side-step the decision of the Journal & Guide of Norfolk. the United States Supreme court He has been a journalist for 18 which ruled that Negroes were en-Washington honored him with its second annual award for outstanding reporting. Apart from having handled a special project for the National Urban League, he has also been publicity director for the National Negro Business League.

BETWEEN THE

(By Dean Gordon B. Hancock

for ANP)

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with offices at 516 Fifth Avenue, quires. The firm will serve als Carolina. Thurgood Marshall, sup-"More and more business and as the New York representative of ported by Attys. Carter and Boul-Negro businesses not having of ware, staged one of the most fices here. It intends to establish spectacular displays of legal abili-It will be a long remembered oc-Mrs. Carter is a graduate of casion when three top-flight Ne-

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have the satisfaction of knowing that their cause was heard before a fearless judge and in the last analysis this constitutes a major advantage. When three Negro



RUSSEL L. CARTER

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cessful applicants for admission to made letters in all three sports.

ticular attention to taxation and la- a beauty salon proprietress in Co-firemen, and engineers. bor law, either in Columbus or lumbus, and Mary, social admini-Dayton, Ohio.

Justice Edward C. Turner partici- mind where she will go to collège. pating in the induction.

OUTSTANDING FAMILY

lumbus family of 11 children, won Railroad employe. Three-year-old Columbus West High School, then 2nd Negro Admitted went to Ohio State University Daily where he took his bachelor of to Box 19

He served in the Army three and BIRMINGHAM, one half vears-one and one-half bama now has two Negro practicing years as first sergeant of Infantry bama now has two Negro practicing before attending officer candidate attorneys for the first time in its school of the Coast Artillery Corps, history. Oscar W. Adams, Jr., 23 His last year in the Army, he was a second lieutenant with the 320th year-old graduate of Howard Law Anti-Aircraft Batallion, a barrage School was admitted to the Alaballoon outfit which participated in barga Bar this month, b-Day operations with the First The only other Negro attorney Army in Normandy.

Discharged in 1944, Carter enter- in the state is Arthur Shores, of ed Harvard Law School and in Feb-Birmingham who made a name for rhary, 1947, with eight other students organzed a student society himself recently in the fight for known as "The King's Bench" which equal pay for Negro teachers and has as its purpose the promotion of against segregation ordinances.

"We hope some day to hold an- Young Adams plans to practice inal conventions in which lawyers in Birmingham.

of all races and creeds will join to-Negro Lawyer ether," he declared. Used In Big NATURAL ATHLETE

An athlete in his own right, he Railway Suit comes by it naturally. All five of his ST. LOUIS -(ANP) - The wide brothers made varsity letters at ly publicized suit of 10 employes of West High. All served in the Army the St. Louis-San Francisco Railduring the war. And most of them way, Co., against the railway comhave made outstanding academic pany itself was filed because the railroad officials conspired to keep the Negro employes in the posi-

William won'a baseball letter be-tions of porters, it was revealed fore graduating from West in 1931 here last week. The suit is being George was selected as a member handled by competent Negro lawof the all-Columbus high school yers, Victor Packham, Henry D. baseball team before his graduation Espy and Sidney R. Redmond, all from West in 1932, then went to of St. Louis, and Charles Houston Ohio State where he took a masters- and Joseph C. Waddy, both degree in mathematics. Washington, D. C.

Warren won places on the city In a written statement, railroad all-high teams in baseball, basket-officials allegedly agreed to keep ball and football, attended Florida Negroes from select jobs. The suit A. and M. at Tallahassee for one asks that the agreement be made year and then entered the Army. void,

Julius won a track letter as a high Last March 100 Negro employes jumper before graduating from West were given dismissal notices. Howyear-old Harvard Law School grad-High in 1942 and is now a junior at ever they sued for an injunction to uate, July 31 took the oath of office the University of California at Loskeep their jobs and won a temporas a member of the Ohio state bar, Angeles. Sum-8-3-47 ary restraining order allowing them He is the 26th Negro to earn a law Richard made all-high baseball to remain on the job.

legree from Harvard. and basketball teams while attend-Railway unions here allegedly Carter, a lifelong resident of the ing West and was selected for the will not allow Negroes to join and, city who met and married the form- second all-high football team. After according to the petetion, "for 40 er Miss Esther Scott-of the News- two and one-half years in the Armyyears have persistently tried to paper Publishing family in Atlanta, he is now a sophe nore at Findlay drive Negroes out of train, engine during the war, was one of 40 suc- College (Ohio) were last year heand yard service solely because of

the Ohio bar in recent examinations. Four of his sisters--Rosa, a grad- By means of this suit, the Ne-He said he plans to enter the uate of Ohio State in 1929, Gertrude, groes intend to obtain the privilege general practice of law, giving par- now residing in Bronx, N. Y., Ora, to such jobs as railroad brakemen,

strator with the American Red Cross The oath was administered by and wife of H. Alford Glascor, local Chief Justice Carl V. Weygandt in attorney-all attended Ohio State. the impressive chambers of the Ohio Betty has just graduated from Wes supreme court with Supreme Court High and hasn't yet made up her

Carter is the son of Mr. and Mrs William F. Carter of Columbus. His Carter, from an outstanding Co- father is a retired Pennsylvania varsity letter in baseball from Esther Scott Carter is his only child

cant pattles in which attorney students. So far no satisfactory Shores has been associated in re-reply has been received.

cent years. He has carried the It is reported that this student main legal burden of the fight may take the question to the against the board of registrars if courts if necessary, in order to denying the ballot to Negro citiopen up the profession to the zens, against Jimcrow zoning or growing number of young Nedinances in three Alabama cities grows, especially vets, who want against the Jefferson Counties practice law in Alabama. Board of Education in the figh for equalization of Negro teachers' salaries. He participated in taking the fight of Negro firemen on the Louisville and Nashville Railroad to the Supreme Court. Sunv. 9-14-49

HOW TO REMEDY this impossible situation of having only one Negro qualified to represent his This is the problem which a number of young veterans have there are now some 15 Negro

students from Alabama registered in law schools throughout the country. The University of Alabama Law School has refused them admission, and the state, under pressure of the Supreme Court equal education decision, pays the students a "compensation"—the difference between the cost of attending the U. of Alacia of the coutside school of their choice.

The big hurdle facing these students is the Alabama bar examination required of all except graduals of the University of Alach Homes Law School, plus personal Court equal education decision, of pays the students a "compensa-

bama Law School, plus personal recommendations from at least three members of the Alabame

Three Negro students have taken the bar exam in recent months; none has yet received notice of admission. One Negro student told this

porter how difficult it is for Negro applicants to get character recommendations from white law-BIRMINGHAM. — Ala yers, who Jimcrow customs have bama, with over 700,000 kept them from knowing, and Negro citizens, has only many of whom do not want to one practicing Negro law see any more Negro lawyers in yer. He is Arthur Shores Alabama THE REQUIREMENT of taking with offices in the Masoni the bar exam is a discrimination Building, Birmingham. The only in itself since white students at other accredited Negro member of the state university do not have the bar is Charles Hendley, head to go through this long and different the Negro Masons, who has not ficult process. been in active practice for many one Negro students, Charles

The tremenders need of heregues, had petitioned the Bar Negro people for legal counsel is Commission to waive the examishown in the number of signifi-nation requirement for Negro

important without cor Kiel auditorium.
"Negro lawyers

WASHINGTON.—Members of three bar associations Cook County Bar Association, blast-them that Williams had asked for University, was admitted to the are putting the finishing touches on an anti-lynching bill and ed both major political parties for permission to practice law here Illinois bar in Chicago, Ill., on graculture to place the names of qualweekend conference here, attended the FBI to apprehend lynchers, the tickets. They also solicited 100,000 In the course of the routine in here this week. Mr. Lecesne is a 2 lawyers remarked: by 200 lawyers. "The FBI was able to break Nazi

grand juries, but no indictments are

Fayne advocated a Justice De-

Sen. Glen Taylor (D-Ida) warned

Delving into the fine points of present laws and historical precedents, the attorneys combined their plans for new legislation with sharp criticism of the Justice Department.

The staff of the department's civil rights unit has decreased under Attorney General Tom Clark's administration, they found.

"The Department of Justice must, in the light of the present jeopardy in which the civil lib- spy rings, but it cannot crack open erties of all are placed by the post- a small southern town whose invar resurgence of racial and re- habitants are not noted for their ligious hatred," the legal confer- brilliance. In some cases the exence agreed, "take its responsibil- perienced lawyers and investigators Ities more seriously, work in a of private organizations have turned more coordinated, purposeful man- over their information to federal

returned." COMPOSED OF members of the A speech by Theron Caudle, As-National Lawyers Guild, National sistant Attorney General, blaming Bar Association, the NAACP's legal the Department's poor record on committee and others, the confer-weak laws, drew quick replies at the conference. ence recommended:

1-The Justice Department must Charles Houston, chairman of the be strengthened by immediate ad- NAACP's legal committee, pointed dition of liberals, both Negro and out there is still room for vigorous white, to positions of high respon- prosecution of violators. He consibility and policy-making author- tended it has been easier to make ity. This embraces the Depart- progress under state jurisdiction ment's entire personnel, especially than in cases in the Justice Departthe civil rights unit and the FBI. ment's province.

2-A vigorous law enforcement First order of business, Houston program, which would prevent civil said, must be federal aid in guaranrights violations from occuring, teeing the vote to Negroes in the must supplement the present pol- South. ley of bringing cases to court after the violation. This should HOUSTON NOTED the absence of include an effective, scientifically Negroes in the Department and planned educational program. suggested appointment of special

3-The Department must coor- prosecutors for southern areas, who dinate its work with private groups would be free of local pressure. fighting to protect civil rights. It Judge Ira Fayne of Detroit agreed must welcome these groups and with Houston's remarks, declaring interested unions as natural allies "good public officials can make alin an all-out campaign to enforce most any law work." civil liberties.

4-Efforts of Negro citizens to partment program of replacing local register and vote in southern U.S. attorneys and federal judges, primaries must be given effective who bow to local pressure, with men protection by the Justice Depart- prepared to enforce justice.

the issue one of misconduct on war Claig, 45, a guard. contracts instead of depriving Ne-nicipal Building and ended at the

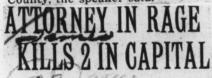
Chicago heard 100 Negro lawyers N. W., two blocks away. last Sunday launch a determined Here's the story police pieced New Orleans, La. drive for a Negro Saperio Court together:
judge.

The lawyers, members of the Grievance Committee, told

signatures to urge Democrats and vestigation, Mr. Clephane said, it sity School of Law.

Republicans to name a Negro candidate for the office of Superior been disharred in Mississian and It was also learned that Mr.

judiciary was a manifestation of complete. second-class citizenship. To allow It apparently was anger over such a condition to exist, where Ne- this refusal, police decided, that groes held sufficient political power brought Mr. Williams to the Muto determine equal distribution of nicipal Building today. political offices, is criminal, they He found Mr. Devendorf and Mr. said. Negroes represent nearly a Dalzell alone in their third-story tenth of the Chicago population, but office. After the shots rang out, hold less than one toth of 1 per a Negro court messenger, George cent of the judg samps in Cook Clemons, saw Williams come out, County, the speaker said.



Bar Association Official and

Policeman Slain, 2 Wounded Result of Fee Disput

WASHINGTON, May 16 (AP)-A lawyer went into the Municipal Court Building today, shot one Bar Association official to death and wounded another and then killed a policeman and wounded a guard who were pursuing him.

He himself was shot four times and captured. And in between the separate shootings he dashed in and tried to see his lawyer. All this in ten frantic minutes.

The shooting, police said, started over a demand by the lawyer that he get back the \$125 he had put up as an entrance fee to the District of Columbia Bar Association.

cide squad said that Williams, a Negro, told him he was Daniel Williams Jr., 40, a former Jackson, his name Williams had nothing Miss., lawyer. His injuries are not to say. considered critical

The dead are Hubert Estes, 51, a policeman; Ray Devendorf, 65, a WITH CLEVELAND CAN ASSOCIATION clerk for the District Bar Association's committee on admissions and CLEVELAND—(ANP) — The Cleveland The dead are Hubert Estes, 51. tion's committee on admissions and

The wounded, both described as tive committee, it was announced in "fair condition" are George W. last Tuesday.

Attorney Gillesple's election will automatic at the annual meeting of The wounded, both described as tive

The Republicans may prefer to make expert on admiralty law, and Cecil

groes of their vote, he said.

An arrow of their vote, he said.

An arrow of Seventh and F Streets, To

his gun. While the messenger watched, too unnerved to raise an alarm, Mr. Dalzell staggered out into the hall. Williams shot at him again, as the wounded Mr. Dalzell tried desperately to make himself small against the marble wall.

Forcing the elevator operator to take him down, Williams was no ticed by Mr. Claig, the guard. But Mr. Claig had no authority to arrest, so while he was calling for help, Williams dashed out and into the near-by office of Perry Howard.

Mr. Howard, the National Republican Committeeman from Mississippi, is a well-known Negro attorney.

But Mr. Howard was not in, and once again Williams raced into the

to knock the gun from Williams' A. Lecesne, 1617 North Tonti St., of New Orleans. Sat. 2-1-47 In this city, he attended Xavier

pital, said that other than giving unit at Camp Lee, Va.

Bar Association nominated Atty. Chester K. Gillespie for membership on its execu-

the grievance committee and an association on Tuesday, May 6. He

Archibald Lecesne, a native of Col. Walter C. Clephane, head this city and graduate af Xavier

didate for the office of Superior been disbarred in Mississippi. Wil-Lecesne is named with Attorneys Court judge in the November judicial election.

They charged the lack of adequate Negro representation on the quate Negro representation on the grounds the investigation was not grounds the investigation was no

Sat. 2-1-47

court here against the Baton Rouge Bus Company.

mce again Williams raced into the at 4628 South Michigan Ave., Chirect.

Mr. Claig was shot as he tried cago, is the son of Mr. and Mrs.

Several detectives and policemen were on the scene by this time, and there the chase ended—Howard University Law School in Howard University Law School in Washington, D. C., and was in-E. S. workmen installing a wooden awa- ducted into the army in 1942. While in the army he attended Sergeant Perry, who rode with Yale, where he studied the Rus-Sgt. Walter Perry of the homi- Williams in the ambulance to the sian language and was later asdetention ward of Gallinger Hos- signed to the army transportation

After his discharge from the army, Mr. Lecesne took a refresher course in law at Catholic University and was employed as an official in the ration board division of the Office of Price Adtration, Washington, D. C.

the delegates to beware of a fake

COMMENTING on the failure ocompromise on the seating of Bilbo

Vetend Red Party Secretary

By LEM GRAVES Jr. (Pittsburgh Courier Press Service)

WASHINGTON—Atty. Charles H. Houston has been a top-notcher and that is just what retained as chief counsel in the contempt proceedings South Carolina hurled into this brought by the House Committee on un-American Activities brought by the House Committee on un-American Activities to side-step the decision of the against Eugene Dennis, national secretary of the Communist party of the United States, the Civil Rights Congress which ruled that Negroes were entitled to your in the Democratic Washington, July 7 (NNPA) a contract he said. They only, went to the Democratic limits to protect the constitutions with the Democratic limits to protect the constitutions with the Democratic limits and the limits of the Constitution of the Democratic limits to protect the constitutions with the Democratic limits and the limits and the limits are constitutions.

Milton Kauffman, general sective integrity of true democratic these capable lawyers defending retary of the Civil Rights Con-procedure as any lawyer would their state and the south, in their gress in New York City, stated welcome.

"This will mark the first occasion "OPPOSED TO WITCH-HUNT"

in the history of "OPPOSED TO WITCH-HUNT"

Counsel in the bridge would their state and the south, in their attempt to disfranchise Negroes in direct opposition to the constitution of the powerful House Military Affairs of the powerfu

a Negro law yermy profession, I am unalterably op- half the energies were spent in ers, collapsed in District Court last out discrimination. Mr. Howard has defended one posed to a witch-hunt for radicals trying to uphold the constitution, Monday as he delivered an impas- likened the plight of the Jews to E of the leading fig-or those called fellow travelers. I how great a purpose would there-sioned argument to a mixed jury that of colored people, and remarkares of a political have the deepest respect for the ... Charles legislative procedures of American H. Houston h a sdemocracy and I have no intention handled some ofof standing idly by while any of the most importhese are, in my opinion, being tant civil rights violated.

cases that organ- "I have yet to see any evidence izations of thewhich tended to expose the Compeople have con-munist party as other than de-. The escribed by Justice Frank Murphy-Civil Rights Con-a party which I desifed to achieve gress feels thatits purpose by peaceful and dem-Mr. Dennis' caseocratic means. I certainly think in extremely that constitutes no menace to

American democracy, certainly as able hands." gen-much cannot be said for a mul-7 Despite a fund for the defense of Eu-titude of other organizations . . gene Dennis, some of the best lawyers in the East turned down the Between opportunity to defend him. The announcement that Mr. Houston Louisiana Week! has accepted the case is regarded. generally here as an evidence of Lne a great deal of courage on the New part of the prominent Washington (By Dean Gordon B. Hancock For ANP) lawyer, since it is almost certain 527. that he will be listed by the House MEET THE NEGRO LAWYER Un-American Activities Committee For lo these many years we the great issue of the Negro's con- of Justice attorney, seated within

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After Nov. 1st, Los Angeles will have a new legal firm, one of the few husband and wife law combinations in the city.

Describing themselves as "too busy" either for a honeymoon or a more elaborate wedding ceremony, Mrs. Martha Malone Williams, California's only Negro woman attorney and a member of an outstanding professional family. were married Thursday night of last week at the home of Jeffer son's brother, Judge Edwin L. Jef

ferson. The judge officiated. His wife was witness. It was the second marriage for Jefferson; for the bride a third.

The pair will practice together under the firm name of Jefferson and Jefferson. They will open offices in the downtown Ferguson building at 307 S. Hill.

The new Mrs. Jefferson was a real estate dealer for several years, during which she studied law at night. She is basileus of the graduate chapter of the local Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority and is active socially.

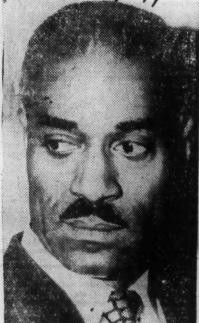
Jefferson recently started practicing in Los Angeles after serving as an OPA prosecutor during the war. He is also a former professor of law at Howard university and is a graduate of Harvard university. Another brother is a physician, on the staff of Provident hospital in Chicago.

The bride, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Malone, of Pasadena, wore a beige gabardine suit, brown accessories and orchids.

They are at home at 3751 S. Van Ness ave.



MRS. BERNARD JEFFERSON . the former Atty. Martha Malone Williams; woman lawyer weds colleague, to form law



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In the Supreme Court or on the way there from lower courts

ICCUSES they have presently, suits to outlaw racial covenants in housing, to force open white state universities in the South, to end racial segregation in D. C. schools, to equalize teacher's pay, to abolish all "white primaries," to end railroad firemen Jim Crow, to end conviction of Negroes by all-white southern juries, and to end travel Jim Crow.

Thing to remember is that these suits are long and expensive. All

the money has to come from those of us who benefit. So give to NAACP and your local legal funds.

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JUDGE GREEN 29 By JOSEPH D. BIB

Splendid Record of Chicago Jurist Wins Acclaim Of 10,000 Lawyers

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Mr. Bibb

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should be thrilled by his demonstration of ability to dispense justice at the bar to a complex society in one of the world's most confused melting pots. Here is evidence of the fallacy of fascist-minded opponents of political and social equality. Here is irrefutable argument to flabbergast the proponents of inferiority. And here is living history of social progress.

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Negro collapses as he calls Garsson prejudice victim

Sat. 7-12-47
WASHINGTON, D. C. - Testi-

fying that the Garsson munitions combine was the victim of race prejudice, Perry Howard, Washington lawyer and member of the Republican National committee from Mississippi, collapsed here last week just before the close of the trial which ended in conviction of the defendants.

Howard, who had told the jury

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"went blank".

He had said the Army's Ordinance division discriminated against

Howard Explains
Why He Defended
Murray Garrson Sat. 9-6-47

PHILADELPHIA - Atty. Perry W. Howard of Washington, D. C., told The Courier here last week that his being retained as a lawyer in the now-famous May-Garrson war fraud trial in Washington earlier this year, came because he and Murray Garrson, one of the defendants, are old friends.

"Our friendship began," said Mr. Howard, "when Mr. Garrson was Assistant Secretary of Labor and was Assistant to the Attorney General. And when this case came up Mr. Garson asked me to help represent him. He is my friend and I did so."

Mr. Howard was stricken by illness during the trial and collapsed.



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SOUTHERN CHAMPIONS OF JUSTICE—Part of the Southern delegation of attorneys to the National Bar Association's 20th Annual Convention are shown in a pre-election discussion of proposed candidates for office. Shown left to right, sitting, are: Attorneys Harold Flowers, Pine Bluff, Ark.; A. T. Walden, Atlanta, Ga.; Oliver W. Hill, Richmond, Va.; and L. Marian Poe. Newbort News, Va. Standing, left to right, are: Attorneys C. A. McKenzie, Richmond, Va.; J. Clarence Young, Alexandria, Va.; Charles M. Clayton, Decatur, Ga.; J. E. Salter, Atlanta, Ga.; Sylvester S. Robinson, Atlanta, Ga.; James H. Roby, Alexandria, Va.; R. H. Craig, Chattanooga, Tenn.; and Arthur D. Shores, Birmingham, Ala.



WOMEN LAWYERS—Among the delegates at the annual convention of the National Bar Association in Washington were these female interpreters of the law. They are, left to right: (seated) Mrs. Jeanne Capers, Cleveland; Dean Howard, Lincoln University (Mo.); Mrs. R. P. Herndon, Atlanta; Mrs. Margaret Haywood, Washington; Miss Cooper, Washington; Mrs. Sadie Alexander, Philadelphia; Mrs. Wihelmina Jackson, and Mrs. Isadore Letcher, Hampton Institute; Mrs. B. Samuels Chase, Washington; Miss Charlotte Pinkett. Woshington, and Mrs. Lucia Thomas, Chicago.

First Woman Prosecutor Admits

the women who worked hardest or 30 years for a principalship. in her two campaigns for council- In fairly, quick succession, she man on the Democratic ticket, worked for the treasury departasked Jean Murrell Capers how ment, became the first colored she could be so calm about her editorial assistant at the World appointment as assistant county Publishing Company, was staff prosecutor of Cleveland, the first member of two newspapers. time a colored woman has been so honored in the city and, as far

office, she expressed her deep ppreciation of the honor bestowed through her on all the women of the city by Mayor Thomas A. Burke. She sees the appointment as an opportunity for her in the criminal aspect of the law and as a chance to get at the source of the type of problem which is reported every day at her office. She will be interested in keeping as many cases as possible out of the court.

Wearing a yellow pull over sweater with a simple black suit and sensible spectator pumps, Jean Capers reviewed a career which rather resembles a patchwork quilt.

Native Kentuckian

Born in Georgetown, Ky., on Jan. 11, 1913, her family moved to

which have always interested her criminal lawyer.

A humorous glint in her eyes she reveals. "I saw teaching as a

sort of routine profession which didn't suit my temperament at all. CLEVELAND (ANP)—One of I couldn't see mystelf waiting 25

Will Keep Practice so honored in the city and, as far as is known in the nation.

"I am excited," avers the 34 year-old attorney, sworn in last week to replace Theodore Williams, attorney, who resigned to resume private law practice. She's the only colored woman practicing law in the city.

But the excitement of good looking young Atty. Capers isn't the kind that bubbles effervescently.

Sitting in her blue and white office, she expressed her deep She intends also to keep her office open though she'll not be



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MISS CORA WALKER, 22, youngest Negro to pass the bar in New York, and the only race member of her law school class, was sworn in the New York bar March 10. A canny thinker, the lovely "Portia" admits that "Usually everything I do is well thought out. I don't jump into it." st. 3-15-47

By. LUCI US JONES

BATON ROUGE, La.—There are relatively few women lawyers of any race in America. The list of Negro woman lawyers is distinctly small—and practically all of these are above the Mason-Dixon Line. There is one glowing exception, however, Miss C. Vernette Grimes, tall and statuesque librarian of the newly set up Southern University Law

cleveland in 1919 so that the children could have the advantage of better educational facilities.

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FIRST IN GREENSBORO—History was made in Greensboro, N.C. last week when Mrs Elrita M. Alexander became the first woman to pass the Guilford county bar. Shown above is Attorney E. K. Hightower of the local bar giving the oath to Mrs. Alexander. In the back-gratulations from her father, the Bev. J. C. Melton, immediately ground are the Rev. Mr. J. C. Melton, father of Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. C. C. Stewart and Drafter she was admitted to the Guilford County Bar last week.



N. C.'s First Colored Woman Lawyer



Mrs. Elreta Alexander of Greensboro, N. C., receives con-C. C. Stewart. Mrs. Alexander is also the first woman to finish Columbia University lawshe is a native of Greensboro and a graduate of A. and T. College. She was the first Negro woman to graduate from the Columbia University school of law and the first Negro woman admitted to the bar in North Carolina. She is a member of the

New York bar and of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. WOMEN LAWYER HOSTESSES -Women members of the Washing ton Bar Association who will have charge of entertaiment for visiting women lawyers attending the National Bar Association convention to be held in Washington, D. G. Nov. 28-30. Seated, left to right: Miss Wilhlemina Jackson, Mrs. Isadora A. Letcher, Miss Ollie M. Cooper; standing; Mrs. Margaret Haywood Hawthorne, Mrs. Charlotte R. Pin ett, Mrs. Mildred Alexander, an Mrs. Bessie Samuels · Chase, Washington attorneys. (NNP Photo.)



LAW SCHOOL LIBRARIAN—Former dean of women at

NEW YORK—Eunice H. Carter of Carter-Johnson associates will be in the group of 15 American women who have been invited to attend the first International Assembly of Women in Paris. The group sails from here on Sept. 22. The conference will convene from Sept. 28 through Oct. 1, and will attract some 200 women leaders from all parts of the world.